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Applicants also bring the Examiner's attention to **US Application No. 10/692,724 filed October 27, 2003**, the specification of which is the same as cited US Publication No. 2004/0005306. A copy of the pending claims in 10/692,724 is submitted herewith.

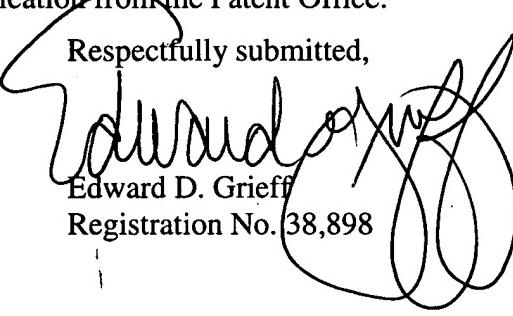
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